

# *Executive Proclamation*

## *State of South Dakota*

### *Office of the Governor*

*Whereas*, The state of South Dakota is the home of Jean Claire Dahlinger, and we are richer because Jean lives among us; and,

*Whereas*, Birthdays commemorate the first day of our lives, and we celebrate the birthdays of those we love as we recognize the joys and sorrows we have shared, the strength we have gained from the obstacles and hardships we have conquered, and the small daily pleasures life offers; and,

*Whereas*, Jean Claire was born on December 15, 1927; and,

*Whereas*, Jean Claire spent her working career as a teacher who demonstrated perfection and demanded it from her students, and as a respected principal who applied discipline with fairness, consistency, and compassion; and,

*Whereas*, Jean Claire has been a role model, mentor, and friend to many in the world of education as she served on the state Humanities Board, state Retired Teachers Board, national Principal's Committees, local CASA, United Way, St. James Lutheran Board, and numerous other local groups; and,

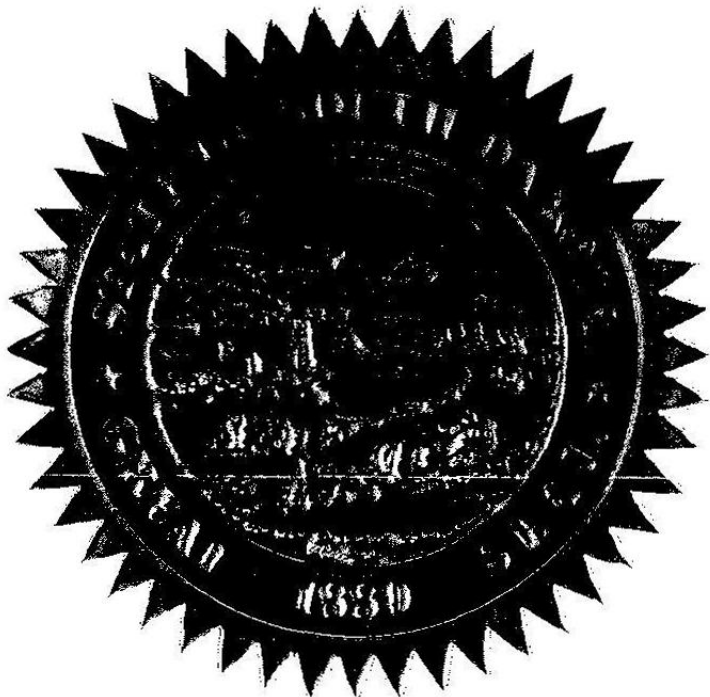
*Whereas*, Jean Claire is a loving mother to Jerry, Ron, Roy, Carol, and Lance, as well as a wonderful grandmother to her grandchildren and great-grandchildren; and,

*Whereas*, Jean Claire will observe her 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday with all the good wishes, fanfare, and celebration such a milestone warrants, as her friends and relatives gather on December 15, 2007, to honor her and celebrate her life and the camaraderie of the day; and it is fitting and proper for the Governor to make note of this milestone in the life of a woman who has lived an exemplary life for all to emulate:


*Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds*, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim December 15, 2007, as

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in South Dakota, and I join all her many friends and relatives in wishing Jean a very happy birthday, good health, and great happiness.



*In Witness Whereof*, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Seventh Day of December in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Seven.

  
M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

  
Chris Nelson, Secretary of State